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lations" they would see that the number of anti-Christ is 666. The number of this bill, Senator Mahoney, is 666.

PRESIDENT: The question is shall LB 666 be indefinitely postponed. Record your vote. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 8 ayes, 30 nays, 11 not voting.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, a motion to amend. (Read amendment offered by Senator Barnett found on page 714 of the Journal).

PRESIDENT: Before we commence with debate on this I would like to ask your acknowledgement of 46 ninth graders from Westpoint in the North balcony. These students are from Senator Hasebroock's district. We also have, in the South balcony, some seventh grade students from Prague, that's from Senator Schmit's district. Also, under the South balcony, a good friend, Bob Cox, from Scottsbluff, Nebraska. He's with the Nebraska Environmental Control Council. Thank you for coming. Also Senator Myron Rumery had some ... still has some guests under the North balcony. Myron Rumery, Jr. and grandsons Scott Rumery, Jeff Rumery and friends Bob Pierce and Ron Shoemaker, all of North Platte. Thanks, all of you, for coming.

Chair recognizes Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. This is just an attempt to try and split the question and split the issue. If anybody has any comments on it they can surely get up and talk about it. If you'd follow me in the bill, I'll tell you what the motion does. On page 2, line 11 we start with subsection (1) and remove that language through line 17 to the two. In other words, we take the first half out. In the second half, the second part, we leave in the part that says "the legislature may provide financial aid in the form of loans to students attending post secondary educational institutions". Now I asked for the removal of the word "or grants". As I understand grants they're a gift. If somebody has any different information about grants I'd be tickled to death to leave it in there. I don't have anything against that part of it. But what I'm offering here is an opportunity for this body to use 666 as an original ... in its original idea which I think it was set out to do and to allow loans for students in post secondary schools that are private. I think that's what they originally tried to do in 1171 when I was serving on the Committee.

Now if somebody has a better idea of how to do it and still leave and have one issue at a time to be decided on by the public, I wish they'd speak up and I'd try to listen to that issue so we could do what is possible. I think this would make it acceptable to the people to vote on. They could take the top part and put it in a separate bill if they wished and vote on it as a separate issue too.

I would move for the adoption of my amendment.